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E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: PINT, CA
SUBJECT: LATEST GALLUP POLL SHOWS SIGNIFICANT LIBERAL
DROP.

1. LATEST GALLUP POLL, TAKEN IN MID-NOVEMBER, INDICATES
THAT GAP BETWEEN LIBERAL PARTY AND PROGRESSIVE CONSERVA-
TIVE PARTY (PC) IS NARROWING. LIBERALS FELL FIVE POINTS
FROM 49 PERCENT PREVIOUS MONTH TO 44 PERCENT. PC PICKED
UP TWO POINTS TO 34 PERCENT, AND NDP REBOUNDED BY 3
POINTS TO 18 PERCENT OF DECIDED VOTERS. THIRTY-THREE
PERCENT OF VOTERS REMAIN UNDECIDED.

2. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE SIGNIFICANT LIBERAL DECLINE IS
ATTRIBUTABLE TO SEVERAL FACTORS, NOTABLY (A) PRELIMINARY
PUBLIC REACTION TO RCMP SCANDALS WHICH WERE GAINING
CONSIDERABLE PUBLICITY IN PARLIAMENT AND THE MEDIA AT
TIME OF POLLING, (B) THE SLUGGISH STATE OF THE ECONOMY,
AND (C) THE NEW MEDIA EXPOSURE WHICH THE INTRODUCTION OF
TV INTO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS HAS GIVEN THE OPPOSITION.
CONTINUED, LARGE NUMBER OF UNDECIDEDS DEMONSTRATES VOTER
SCEPTICISM VIS-A-VIS ALL MAJOR PARTIES. IMPORTANCE OF
UNDECIDEDS GROWS MONTHLY AS NATIONAL ELECTIONS, RUMORED
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FOR LATE SPRING OR EARLY SUMMER, DRAW CLOSER. ENDERS

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